

FIVE CROOKS SHOW ROGUE'S PROGRESS

Group in Court Represented Ages from Sixteen to Seventy-two.

ONE A BOY PICKPOCKET.

All Let Go with a Warning by Judge Except Old Harry Martin.

As the visible fruits of yesterday's work the detectives of Inspector McLaughlin's staff, who are arresting well-known thieves wherever they find them, had five prisoners in Centre Street Court today. As the five stood there together as one, no artist could have asked a complete set of models for a group that would show the Rogue's Progress.

At one end of the row was William Schuster, alias "Nimble Billy," who at sixteen represents the finished product of the crime-schools of the East Side of New York. There is no keener pickpocket in town than this slender, bright-looking boy. Sergt. Savage caught him envying his neighbor's scarf pin on a Fourteenth street cross-town car.

Women Are His Victims.

Next to the boy-crook was Roy McMillin, called by the West the "Indiana Wonder," a smart Chicago operator of thirty or thereabouts. McMillin started for New York last week. The Chicago chief promptly notified local headquarters by wire and Detective Dominick Riley picked him up at Broadway and Fifth street. McMillin is a well-set up chap, well groomed, well dressed and foxy. He robs women mostly.

Sam Lichenschein, alias "The Monk," who has been in the business longer than the Indiana Wonder, was found by Detective McDonough sinking along Chrystie street, where the petty cadgers take dimes away from children. It is a mighty fall for "The Monk." Once he was a noted safe burglar. But opium has got him down, and at forty-five he is stooped and gray and shaky, with one side of his head foreverly marked where an enemy sheared an ear entirely away with a razor.

An even worse case is Arthur Callahan, alias "Little Quinn," a one-time noted pick, who is dying on his feet of jail consumption. He is a gray shadow of a man, living now on morphine and small thefts. One of the Headquarters staff gathered him in at Third avenue and Eighteenth street. He was glad to be arrested for a Bowery lodging-house bouncer had thrown him out and he was broke.

Then Old Harry Martin.

Last in the line stood Old Harry Martin, ragged, bearded, homeless, and bent under the weight of seventy-two years and a thousand small crimes. He confesses, with a touch of pride, that for fifty-two years he has stolen his living, yet in all that time has spent only eighteen months in prison. Detective Conliffe nabbed him in the act of stealing a bundle of lead pencils from a sidewalk stand in Warren street.

To the boy, Nimble Billy, Magistrate Breen said:

"Just look down the line and you can see your finish. That ought to be warning enough to you."

"You bet it ought, Judge," put in old Harry Martin. "Me, I've been at this game all my life and I know it don't pay. But there ain't nothing else for me now but working."

The Magistrate held the old man for trial in Special Sessions. He let the others go with a warning to get out of town.

GERMAN LINER CRASHES THEN RUNS AGROUND.

HAMBURG, April 25.—The German steamer Mannheim, Capt. Schan, returned bound for New York, has returned to port for examination having been aground as the result of a collision with the German steamer Saturn. Inward bound from Malta.

Both vessels had plates stuck in and the stern of the Saturn was damaged.

LOST WHISKERS BY GASOLINE BLAST

Explosion in Paint-Shop Basement Also Spreads Gay Colors Over Owner and Guest.

This is about an explosion in the volcano belt of the West Side, but it wasn't a volcano this time. Merely some gasoline and turpentine and oil colors and a ton or so of tableware and cutlery.

James Shipman and Harry Postal have a store on the ground floor of No. 77 Ninth avenue, where they sell painters' and roofers' supplies and china and glass. To-day Postal sat talking to a visitor, John Kents, and Shipman went to the basement to load a can with gasoline.

Postal was just saying to Kents that everything would be nice and green pretty soon if we had a little more warm weather.

Then there was a terrific roar beneath the floor. A bucket of emerald paint bounced off a shelf and settled bottom upward on Mr. Postal's head. Similarly a shelf load of heavy plates and a lot of iron knives and forks in bulk descended on Kents, while a tub of white lead made him look like a strawberry shortcake all ready to serve.

As the two men sat up there boiled out of the basement opening a singed apparition which tore madly through the house, leaving a trail of sparks, and fled across the street to the drug-store. It was Mr. Shipman, loaded with oils and totally unable to explain what had become of the fine set of whiskers he had worn at the moment of the explosion.

Policeman Mike Quinn got an ambulance from Roosevelt Hospital and a fire company from around the corner. Mr. Shipman and his burns dressed and sent hurriedly to the scene of the disaster. The firemen had completed the ruin which the gasoline had begun.

AUTO SMASHES HOLE IN HOUSE; TWO-HURT.

CAMDEN, N. J., April 25.—A peculiar accident occurred at Berlin, near here, in which two men were badly injured, an auto smashed and a rent made in a house about six feet wide. One of the injured men was W. N. Knox, an automobile dealer of No. 202 North Broad street, Philadelphia. The name of the other man has not been learned.

A house that was being moved across White Horse pike was responsible for the accident. William L. Walker, who had been moving the house, had gotten it half way across the road at dusk last night. Red lights were placed on either side of the house and the autoists thought the space between the lights was clear and steered for that. Suddenly the black outline of the house loomed up in front of them and before the auto could be stopped it crashed into the house, throwing out both men.

BODY FOUND AFTER DAYS.

E. Y. Phillips, an upholsterer, was found dead in his basement shop at No. 40 Bleeker street to-day. He had been absent several days. He lived in his shop alone.

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Regular price 24c; sale price 22c

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SENATE MUST LINE UP WITH PARSONS

His Reapportionment Plan Embodied in Bill and Caucus Called to Force It.

(Special to The Evening World.) ALBANY, April 25.—The Senate reapportionment committee will report a bill to the Upper House today recommending the adoption of the Parsons plan for New York County.

Gov. Higgins, Senator Lewis, chairman of the committee, and other legislators who are lined up with the Governor, were in conference until after midnight on the question of reapportionment.

To prevent the anti-Parsons people from allying with the Democrats in the Senate and upsetting the measure, the Governor's friends have decided to call a caucus for to-night and pledge the Republican Senators to Parsons.

The county organization Senators are furious over the trick and threaten to fight it out on the floor, caucus or no caucus.

The Senate Committee bill will offer the reapportionment plan framed by ex-Lieut.-Gov. Woodruff for Kings County and the one submitted by Senator Davis for Erie.

POLICE EVIDENCE IN EXCISE CASES USELESS.

No Use Trying to Convict on It, Declares Queens County District-Attorney.

Assistant District-Attorney Bondach, of Queens County, declared before Magistrate Healy in the Long Island City Court to-day that it was useless to try excise cases on the testimony of detectives.

"The evidence of detectives in cases where the violation of the excise law is charged is useless," said the prosecutor. "Their evidence is no good and it is practically impossible to get a conviction upon it. The statement was made in the case of two saloon-keepers charged with violation of the excise law. Both complaints were dismissed."

MEXICAN RAILWAYS MERGE.

MEXICO CITY, April 25.—A deal conveying to the National Railroad Company of Mexico the property of the Hidalgo and Northwestern Railway will be signed to-morrow. The price paid is \$2,000,000. The road has twenty-seven locomotives and 30 cars.

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WANTED TO DIE, BUT BY HIS OWN HAND.

President of Suicide Club Says His Wife Tried to Kill Him.

LOGANSPORT, Pa., April 25.—Edward Gates, President of the Logansport Suicide Club, an organization which had a membership of five, but is now reduced to two, has filed suit for divorce, alleging that his wife tried to kill him and, failing in the attempt, desecrated him.

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